

**REMARKS**

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Office Action dated May 10, 2005 has been received and its contents carefully reviewed. Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in claims 9-21.

By this Amendment, Applicant amends claim 1. Accordingly, claims 1-21 are currently pending in the present application. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

As a preliminary matter, Applicant notes that the translation of Korean Patent Publication No. 10-2000-31956 filed on January 12, 2005 was incomplete. Applicant herewith resubmits a certified translation of Korean Patent Publication No. 10-2000-31956 for proper consideration.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by KR 2000-31956 ("Kim"); rejected claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over Kim; rejected claims 7 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kim in view of Applicant's Related Art ("ARA"). Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections.

The rejection of claims 1-5 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated Kim and the rejection of claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over Kim are respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested.

Claim 1 as amended is allowable over the cited references in that claim 1 recites a combination of elements including, for example, "...a liquid crystal layer between the first and second substrates, wherein the data electrode and the transparent conductive film generate an in-plane electric field substantially parallel to the first and second substrates for controlling an amount of light at the respective pixel region."

Applicant respectfully submits that an example of support for the aforementioned features can be found in the specification of the present application at page 12, lines 11-17. Applicant further respectfully submits that, as best understood, the transparent electrode 151 in Fig. 3 of Kim is used to form a storage capacitor in the pixel electrode. Thus, Kim fails to teach or suggest the aforementioned features recited in claim 1. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully

submit that claim 1 and claims 2-6, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

The rejection of claims 7 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kim in view of ARA is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Since ARA fails to cure the deficiencies of Kim, claims 7 and 8 are allowable over the cited references.

Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner deems that a telephone conference would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number (202) 496-7500. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911.

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